

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACTIVATING A LINE CARD

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method is provided for activating a card in a network element comprising one or more switch cards. The method includes determining a type of the card. An executable file stored remotely from the card and switch cards is retrieved based on the type of the card. The executable file is downloaded to a memory for a processor on the card without using boot code on the card. The card is operated using the executable file.

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